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AMENDMENTS TO THE SOLICITATION

- 1. The Section L clause entitled "INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PREPARATION OF TECHNICAL AND COST OR PRICING PROPOSALS (EPAAR 1552.215-73) (AUG 1993) DEVIATION" has been modified. The text is as follows:
 - (a) Technical proposal instructions.
- (1) Submit your technical proposal as a separate part of the total proposal package. Omit all cost or pricing details from the technical proposal.
 - (2) Special technical proposal instructions: See Attachment #4
 - (b) Cost or pricing proposal instructions: See Attachment #6

In addition to a hard copy of the information, to expedite review of your proposal, you are requested to submit a computer disk containing the financial data required under 1552.215-73(b)(2) through (b)(7), if this information is available using a commercial spreadsheet program on a personal computer. Please indicate the software program used to create this information. Offerors should include the formulas and factors used in calculating the financial data. Although submission of the computer disk will expedite review, failure to submit the disk will not affect consideration of your proposal.

- (1) General Submit cost or pricing information on Standard Form 1448, Proposal Cover Sheet (Cost or Pricing Data Not Required), prepared in accordance with FAR Table 15-3, Instructions for Submission of Information Other Than Cost or Pricing Data and the following:
 - (i) Clearly identify separate cost or pricing information associated with any:
 - (A) Options to extend the term of the contract;
 - (B) Options for the Government to order incremental quantities; and/or
 - (C) Major tasks, if required by the special instructions.
 - (ii) If the contract schedule includes a "Fixed Rates for Services" clause, please provide in your cost proposal a schedule duplicating the format in the clause and include your proposed fixed hourly rates per labor category for the base and any optional contract periods.
 - (iii) Submit current financial statements, including a Balance Sheet, Statement of Income (Loss), and Cash Flow for the last two completed fiscal years. Specify resources

available to perform the contract without assistance from any outside source. If sufficient resources are not available, indicate in your proposal the amount required and the anticipated source (i.e., bank loans, letter or lines of credit, etc.).

(2) Direct Labor.

- (i) Attach support schedules for each proposed labor category, indicating both proposed hours and rates. All management and support (such as clerical, corporate and day-to-day management) hours and costs proposed to be a direct charge, in accordance with your normal accounting treatment, are to be shown separately from that for the technical effort.
- (ii) Explain the basis of the proposed labor rates, including a complete justification for all judgmental factors used to develop weights applied to your company's category or individual rates that comprise the rates for labor categories specified in the solicitation. This explanation should describe how your technical approach coincides with the proposed costs.
- (iii) Describe for each labor category proposed your company's qualifications and experience requirements. If individual rates are used, provide the employee's name. If specific individuals are identified in the technical proposal, correlate these individuals with the labor categories specified in the solicitation.
- (iv) Provide a matrix summarizing the effort proposed, including the subcontracts, by professional and technical level specified in the solicitation.
- (v) Indicate whether current rates or escalated rates are used. If escalation is included, state the degree (Percent) and methodology. The methodology shall include the effective date of the base rates and the policy on salary reviews (e.g. anniversary date of employee or salary reviews for all employees on a specific date).
- (vi) State whether any additional direct labor (new hires) will be required during the performance period of this acquisition. If so, state the number required.
- (vii) With respect to educational institutions, include the following information for those professional staff members whose salary is expected to be covered by a stipulated salary support agreement pursuant to OMB Circular A-21.
 - (A) Individual's name;
 - (B) Annual salary and the period for which the salary is applicable;
 - (C) List of other research Projects or proposals for which

- salaries are allocated, and the proportionate time charged to each; and
- (D) Other duties, such as teaching assignments, administrative assignments, and other institutional activities. Show the proportionate time charged to each. (Show proportionate time charges as a percentage of 100% of time for the entire academic year, exclusive of vacation or sabbatical leave.)
- (3) Indirect costs (overhead, general, and administrative expenses).
 - (i) If your rates have been recently approved, include a copy of the rate agreement.
 - (ii) Submit supporting documentation for rates which have not been approved or audited.
- (4) Travel expense.
 - (i) If the solicitation specifies the amount of travel costs, this amount is exclusive of any applicable indirect costs and fee.
 - (ii) See Attachment #6 "Cost Proposal Instructions."
- (5) Subcontracts. Identify the subcontractors. State the amount of service estimated to be required and the quoted daily or hourly rate.
 - (6) Equipment, facilities and special equipment, including tooling.
 - (i) If direct charges for use of existing contractor equipment are proposed, provide a description of these items.
 - (ii) If equipment purchases are proposed, provide a description of these items, and a justification as to why the Government should furnish the equipment or allow its purchase with contract funds. (Unless specified elsewhere in this solicitation, FAR 45.302-1 requires contractors to furnish all facilities in performance of contracts with certain limited exceptions.)
 - (iii) Identify Government-owned property in the possession of the offeror or proposed to be used in the performance of the contract, and the Government agency which has cognizance over the property.
 - (iv) Submit proposed rates or use charges for equipment, along with documentation to support those rates.
 - (7) Other Direct Costs (ODC).
 - (i) See Attachment #6 "Cost Proposal Instructions."
 - (ii) If the solicitation specifies the amount of other direct costs, this amount is exclusive of any applicable indirect

cost and fee.

- (iii) If any of the cost elements identified as part of the specified other direct costs are recovered as an indirect cost, in accordance with the offeror's accounting system, those costs should not be included as a direct cost. Complete explanation of this adjustment and the contractor's practice should be provided.
- (iv) Provide dollars per LOE hour on similar contracts or work assignments.
- 2. The attachment entitled "RESPONSES TO AMENDMENT 1 QUESTIONS" has been added. The text is as follows:

Question 1.

In Amendment 0001, the new Technical Proposal Instructions require that offerors provide as part of their Management Approach a Labor Mix Matrix for the first year of the contract, demonstrating how they plan to distribute the level of effort among the prime and subcontracting team, and reflecting the "mix of hours shown in the Cost Proposal Instructions, Attachment 6." Attachment 6, however, does not provide a mix of hours, but only the anticipated distribution of total hours each year across the five tasks.

Does EPA intend to provide a breakdown of the LOE by Professional Level, or is the reference to "mix of hours" in error?

Answer 1.

The reference to "mix of hours" is an error and is hereby deleted.

Question 2.

Answer 15 in Amendment 0001 indicates that the instructions regarding the proposal of travel and ODCs contained in Section L is correct. Are we therefore to disregard the EPA-specified travel and ODC amounts contained in Attachment 6?

Answer 2.

The paragraphs 4 (ii) Travel expense and 7 (i) Other Direct Costs (ODC) under L.10 entitled, "Instructions for the Preparation of Technical and Cost or Pricing Proposals" are hereby deleted. The language is revised as follows: "See Attachment 6 Cost Proposal Instructions."